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TREASURY PASS TO BRADFIELD

FOR EB/GCP O'MAHONEY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EGEN UNCTAD

SUBJECT: UNCTAD CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES

1. PREFERENCES. CONSIDERATION OF PARAGRAPH 14 STALLED
AS RESULT OF MEXICAN PROPOSAL TO ADD FOLLOWING LANGUAGE
AT BEGINNING OF PARAGRAPH: "DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SHOULD
BE GRANTED PREFERENTIAL AND NON-RECIPROCAL TREATMENT
IN ALL FIELDS OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION
WHEREVER FEASIBLE." U.S., EC, AUSTRALIA, CANADA AND
JAPAN STRONGLY OPPOSED ADDITION ON GROUNDS THAT IT
WOULD DESTROY CAREFUL BALANCE OF PARAGRAPH NEARLY AGREED
AT GENEVA IN FEBRUARY, EXTENDING OPEN-ENDED COMMITMENT
TO PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT BEYOND TARIFF AND TRADE AREA
IN TERMS MORE BROAD THAN DEVELOPED COUNTRIES
CAN ACCEPT. THESE DELS HAD AGREED TO FIRM LINE IN
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BRIEF PREMEETING CAUCUS; ALSO TO CONTINUE TO SEEK

DELETION OF "MAINTAIN" IN FIRST SENTENCE OF ORIGINAL TEXT, ACCEPTING ADDITION OF "ENLARGE" AS TRADE-OFF IF NECESSARY.

2. SUBSEQUENTLY, IN EFFORT TO OBTAIN SINGLE TEXT, GROUP D AGREED TO DROP ALTERNATIVE 2 IF FIRST AND LAST SENTENCES THEREOF ADDED IN BRACKETS AT BEGINNING AND END RESPECTIVELY OF (PROVISIONALLY AMENDED) ALTERNATIVE ONE. FIRST BRACKETED "THE" WAS RETAINED WITHOUT BRACKETS, THE SECOND DELETED.

3. IN NIGHT SESSION, JAMAICAN DEL MADE ELOQUENT PLEA FOR "PURE" PARAGRAPH RELATING TO PREFERENCES AND URGED DROPPING LANGUAGE PROPOSED TO BE ADDED BY MEXICO AND BY GROUP D. GROUP D REFUSED. INDIAN DEL THEN ENTERED DEBATE FOR FIRST TIME AND SAID THAT SINCE MEXICAN PROPOSAL WAS INCLUDED IN DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES ADOPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION AT SIXTH SPECIAL UNGA SESSION IN NEW YORK HIS DELEGATION WAS BOUND BY IT AND INSISTED ON ITS INCLUSION. USDEL POINTED OUT THAT NEW YORK LANGUAGE WAS ADOPTED UNDER DIFFERENT CIRCUMSTANCES TO MEET DIFFERENT NEEDS, WAS NOT BINDING ON WORKING GROUP AND THAT ITS ADDITION IN PRESENT CONTEXT CHANGED ASSUMPTIONS UNDER WHICH DELS HAD UNDERTAKEN TO CONFIRM THEIR GOVERNMENTS' SUPPORT FOR GENEVA LANGUAGE. JAPAN AND AUSTRALIA NOTED THEIR DELS HAD ENTERED SPECIFIC RESERVATIONS ON THIS POINT IN NEW YORK. SESSION BROKE UP WITHOUT PROSPECT FOR AGREEMENT, SMALL NEGOTIATING GROUP TO PASS TEXT TO PLENARY WITH CONTROVERSIAL LANGUAGE IN BRACKETS.

4. REQUEST AUTHORITY CONTINUE TO OPPOSE INCLUSION OF LANGUAGE PROPOSED BY MEXICO BUT TO ACCEPT ORIGINAL GENEVA TEXT (TD/B/AC.12/3, PAGE 12, PARA 14, ALTERNATIVE 1) WITH DELETION OF "MAINTAIN" AND ADDITION OF "ENLARGE". JOVA

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